

AMERICANS PARTICIPATE AND REPULSE ATTACK THEIR FIRST ENCOUNTER

Relieve British Forces In Much Fought Over Sector And Fight At Close Quarters

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY, May 2—(Associated Press)—American troops along the western battle front participated for the first time yesterday in the great battle that has been in progress, and although suffering "rather severe" losses defeated the Germans and repulsed their attack.

The American sector attacked is in the neighborhood of Villers-Bretonneux, the town on the Caules-Amiens road which has been the scene of some of the bitterest fighting in the German drive and which has changed hands repeatedly between the British and Germans. East of this town the Americans have relieved the Tonnies and it is here that they have won their first battle.

HUNS REACH TRENCHES

The Germans preceded their attack upon the American lines by a heavy bombardment, continuing for two hours. When the shelling ceased, three battalions of Germans charged through the shattered defenses, forcing their way into the trenches.

There was furious hand-to-hand fighting, in which the Germans were driven back and finally repulsed, leaving many dead in the American positions. The American losses were correspondingly heavy, but there is a feeling of elation in the American ranks that they have finally met the picked, shock troops of the Kaiser and defeated them against odds.

NEW YORK, May 2—(Associated Press)—Stunned by the smashing defeat which attended their efforts to advance further on Monday and Tuesday on the Ypres front, the Germans made no attempt yesterday to resume the battle, withdrawing for the evident purpose of reorganizing their shattered brigades and bringing up fresh reserves for the renewal of their drive.

The Allies, however, were not content to rest with their victory but took advantage of the German discomfiture to make their positions more secure and harass the enemy. The French, at Loree threw back the German outposts and took over ground required to complete their defense line, while the British rushed the Germans back from a number of positions before Meteren, taking a number of prisoners.

During the afternoon the German activities in the Armentieres sector were confined to artillery, the British positions back of Bethune and the French on the Loree sectors being heavily shelled.

REINFORCEMENT PREVENTED

The Allies also used their big guns effectively, keeping up a bombardment of the Germans on Mount Kemmel and preventing supplies and reinforcements being brought up.

Paris reports heavy artillery duels during Tuesday night and yesterday morning on the Somme front, along both flanks of the Aves.

Berlin reports told of heavy French attacks on the Dranoutre sector in its official statement of the fighting, issued last night. This report said that the French attempted to advance upon Dranoutre several times but that all attacks were repulsed.

MORE CHILDREN TAKEN

In order to keep up its man power greatly weakened by the tremendous losses which the German forces have suffered owing to the massed force tactics that have been employed in the recent drive Germany has been forced to further "rob the cradle" and has called out its 1920 class. This was told by prisoners taken by the British who said that some of the boys had already been mustered in and were seeing actual service but that the rest would go into training and would not be used immediately unless it should become absolutely necessary.

MURDER CHARGED TO MOVE BY POPE IS INTERNED ENEMY HUN PROPAGANDA

Assert He Killed Mrs. King While Trying To Make Away With Gaston Means

CONCORD, May 2—(Associated Press)—A warrant was yesterday issued for the arrest of Otto Schuman, an interned enemy alien who is accused of having murdered Mrs. Maude King.

The killing of Mrs. King and the subsequent investigation by the coroner's jury created a nation-wide sensation. Gaston Means was accused of responsibility for her death.

It is now alleged that Schuman killed Mrs. King by accident while he was trying to kill Gaston Means. Means, it is said, was an agent for Germany before the United States entered the war and was instrumental in securing for the Teutons supplies of copper and rubber. When the United States entered the war he quit the service of the Germans and had threatened to reveal the methods which the Germans had employed and which he had employed for them to secure supplies. It was to prevent Means from making these revelations, it is alleged, that Schuman sought his life and in attempting to take it, killed Mrs. King.

Means had handled funds for Mrs. King and the motive which was attributed in the effort to convict him of murder was that he had misappropriated a part of her fortune and sought to secure the rest.

Official Circles In Washington See Teuton Guile In Pontiff's Peace Offers

WASHINGTON, May 2—(Associated Press)—Official and diplomatic circles here look with suspicion on the reported intention of the pope to make a new move in the effort to bring about peace. They are inclined to think the report and the plan are a part of German propaganda and that they indicate that the Teutons, realizing that an early victory is impossible and a final victory doubtful, have influenced the pope to once more attempt to intervene.

Cologne newspapers say that the pope intends to make a more pressing peace offer than ever before and that the offer will be made on Wednesday (seven Sunday after Easter), suit despatches from the Hague yesterday. It is declared that the pope will make an offer to mediate, and that his offices will be tendered with the possible cooperation of neutral sovereignty.

Berlin reports said news that the pope is planning a new and urgent peace offer is received here sympathetically.

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British Forces In Palestine As In Mesopotamia Win

Cavalry Advances and Takes Two Hundred and Sixty Turks; Details Show Success of Marshall Greater Than Did First Report

LONDON, May 2—(Associated Press)—British successes in Palestine as well as in Mesopotamia are told in the official communiqués of the war department. In Palestine, on the east bank of the Jordan, the advance British cavalry has reached within two miles of Beesit and has taken 200 prisoners.

Further details of General Marshall's victory in Mesopotamia were given out by the war office yesterday. His successes were more sweeping than first indicated. His troops have pursued the retreating Turks to the Tigris River and prisoners number 1300 while the booty includes twelve field pieces of good caliber.

In telling of results on the Western Front during March and April General Haig reported that in the former month the British and French took 1061 prisoners and in April 5211.

IRELAND MUST HELP WITH BEST BLOOD

Equal Rights Carry With Them Equal Responsibilities Lloyd George Insists

LONDON, May 2—(Associated Press)—To a delegation of Laborites who called upon him to protest against the enforcement of conscription in Ireland Premier Lloyd George held out no hope of their avoiding an ultimate enforcement of the provisions of the law. He insisted that equal rights would give to the Irish equal responsibilities.

This was after an order in council was issued postponing the date of operation of conscription in Ireland beyond the first of May. It is believed that the government desires to introduce the home rule bill and see what success this has in settling the Irish question. The lord mayor of Dublin has announced that he has abandoned the idea of visiting the United States at this time.

ISHII AND WILSON EXCHANGE GREETINGS

Spirit of National Amity Is Expressed By Each

WASHINGTON, May 1—(Official)—Viscount K. Ishii, new Japanese ambassador to the United States, presenting his credentials to President Wilson yesterday, said in part:

"My endeavor will be to conduct the mission in the spirit of open and friendly cooperation which my experience tells me will never fail to be reciprocated. America and Japan are more than even enemies mutual appreciation."

"I shall spare no effort to strengthen and intensify this happy relation so we may secure a peace just to all warring nations and thereafter enjoy its blessings in ever increasing friendship and security."

President Wilson replied in part: "Your appointment is indeed to me added evidence of the Japanese government's devotion to the policy of peace and goodwill among all nations of the world. I beg you to express to your august sovereign my appreciation of his majesty's sentiments of goodwill and my confidence."

"The bonds of friendship already existing between our two countries will be greatly strengthened by the fact of our common effort in a righteous cause."

LOAN DRIVE TOTAL MOUNTS TOWARD TOP

WASHINGTON, May 1—(Associated Press)—Twelve million purchasers and a total of two and a half billion dollars is the latest summing up of the third Liberty Loan campaign.

The 12th reserve district has over subscribed its \$210,000,000 Liberty Loan quota by \$15,000,000, according to the latest estimate. Over \$19,000,000 separate subscriptions have been made.

GERMAN NAVAL OFFICER ARRESTED AS HUN AGENT

NEW YORK, N. Y., May 1—(Associated Press)—Federal agents yesterday arrested a German naval lieutenant commander. It is said that the man arrested, whose name has not been given out, was the active head of the propaganda work carried on by the agents in America under Count von Bernstorff, former ambassador.

FORMER AUTO RACER BRINGS DOWN HUN PLANE

AMERICAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, May 1—(Associated Press)—Lieut. Edward Rickenbacker, the famous auto racer who has entered the American aviation service, and Capt. Norman Hall have downed German airplanes.

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE EXPERT MARKSMAN WITH WOMEN AS TARGET

GENEVA, May 2—(Associated Press)—Eighty-four miles at a distance of seventy-two miles where he cannot see the results of his efforts, appeals to the German crown prince to the target practice. He is securing entertainment from firing the long range rifle. The crown prince, who is a keen sportsman and a keen marksman, is said to be a very expert marksman. He is said to be a very expert marksman. He is said to be a very expert marksman.

Bills of Committee Members Still In Directors' Hands

Public Sentiment Generally Against Investigators—Point Is Raised That Courts May Determine Justice of Claims

Members of the committee of stockholders of the Pioneer Mill Company who investigated the charges of disloyalty against L. Weinheimer are "standing pat." The bills for services rendered and charged at the rate of \$25 a day are still in the hands of the directors of the company. Meantime public sentiment is increasingly condemnatory of their course in making a charge under the circumstances which surrounded the affair.

It is not impossible that the courts may have to decide upon the validity of these claims that have been presented against the Pioneer Mill Company. The point was raised yesterday that if the directors approved the payment of the bill they may be prevented from making payment by any stockholder who did not vote at the recent meeting to refer the matter to the new board of directors with power to act.

It was even suggested that a stockholder who had voted in favor of the motion would not be stopped by his vote from taking action to restrain payment. This claim was taken upon the ground that the charge is an improper one since the stockholders of the company received no financial benefit from the work which the committee performed and that it was out of the usual course of business. "It is not the case and it is not the case," said the committee members. "It is not the case and it is not the case," said the committee members.

What motives govern each member of the committee the public does not know. It is even possible that the members are collecting the money and turning it over to the Red Cross. Undoubtedly these beliefs are entitled to consideration but the general public is taking as much interest in the matter as is taken by the stockholders and in the absence of more information than that the bills were referred, public sentiment is not with the five-committee members.

It may be the public is looking at the whole affair from the light of the charge of investigation, that it was occasioned by charges of disloyalty against an official member of the company in which the public was vitally interested, and does not look on the other side that the committee determined whether there were sufficient grounds for the company to remove or demand the resignation of its manager. Had the committee investigated his honesty, his integrity, his business ability, his character, his conduct, the members would have been justified in making the charge for their services. It is because it is a question whether the loyalty or lack of loyalty of Weinheimer was sufficient to warrant his retention, that the public is showing the interest which it does.

Bungalow At Royal Grove Entirely Destroyed By Fire

A five room bungalow at Royal Grove, opposite the Moana Hotel owned by Max Basker and occupied by L. S. Kelsey, was totally destroyed by fire at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Quick work on the part of the fire department saved the two adjoining bungalows owned by H. Rafael and R. M. Morton. The Morton home was slightly damaged by water, while the home of H. Rafael escaped with a slight scorching.

L. S. Kelsey and his family went bathing at the seaside Hotel early in the afternoon and when they returned to their home they found it in a heap of ruins while all the clothing they had, was the bathing suits they stood in.

Max Basker, who is now in the Orient, had the bungalow which was destroyed yesterday insured for \$3000. There was also a policy of \$2000 which covered the furniture and personal effects. Although Mrs. Basker and her family thought that this would reimburse her for a number of priceless works of art and curios that her husband had collected on his trips to the Orient, she is now left with a small sum of money.

The Kelsey family lost a quantity of jewelry, silverware and household furnishings.

The chemical engine from the central fire station and No. 3 engine from the Makiki station under the supervision of Fire Chief Charles Thurston, handled the fire yesterday and prevented the spreading of it to the adjacent buildings.

WANTS NO LIMITS EXCEPT ABILITY TO PUT IN FIELD

Baker Will Go Before Congress Today and Is Expected To Give New Program

GOVERNMENT READY TO USE THREE MILLIONS Ability To Train, Arm, Equip and Transport Only Limit For Number To Be Called

WASHINGTON, May 2—(Associated Press)—Leave to call out reservists for military service without limitation as to number which would be governed by the ability of the country to train, arm, equip, train and transport them is expected to be the request of Secretary of War Baker of congress. It is to go before the legislators today to outline to them the army program.

Chairman Dext of the house committee on military affairs yesterday introduced a bill which would limit the number of reservists in the United States army to 4,000,000, with a view of placing the real limit at 5,000,000 by the inclusion of volunteers to make up that number. This is believed to have been the desire of the war department.

It is indicated that when Secretary Baker outlines his program today he will ask that no restrictions be placed upon the number of men who may be called. He will ask that the government be permitted to mobilize all the men that it is able to train, equip and transport and that this ability shall be the only limitation.

It is expected that Baker will show that the United States is now able to handle three million men, more than double the number that it has under arms at the present time.

Baker will base his report and program largely upon the information which he obtained at first hand when in France, backed up by expressions from the supreme war council and the representatives of the Allied governments.

Official figures are calling 8985 men for a two months' course in mechanical studies, starting May 16.

THOUSAND DROWN AS BIG STEAMER SINKS

Steamer In Oriental Waters Collides With Warship

TOKIO, May 1—(Special to Nippon Jiji)—One of the worst disasters in years took place in Chinese waters on Monday when more than 1000 passengers on a steamer went down following a collision with a Chinese warship.

The sinking of the steamer was so sudden that most of her passengers had no time to leave the ship. The ship was hit by a Chinese warship. The ship was hit by a Chinese warship. The ship was hit by a Chinese warship.

General TUNG CHI CHU, premier of China, was aboard the warship.

KAISER ASKS LEAVE TO CHANGE HIS NAME

SALINAS, California, April 22—(Associated Press)—After being subjected to great humiliation ever since America entered the war, because of the war Karl Rudolph Kaiser today petitioned the superior court of Monterey county to have his name changed to Carl Berndt Alf.

The reasons given in the petition for the change of name are as follows: The United States is at war with the imperial government of Germany whose ruler is known as the kaiser; which name is synonymous with autocracy which is the opposite of democracy; royalty, which is opposite to humanity; barbarism, which has no respect for civilization; Prussian militarism, which hates Christianity.

The petitioner recites that he is a native born American citizen, having been born in Nebraska, and believes in all the principles of the United States government; that daily he is subjected to great humiliation by people whom he meets because of the name of his ancestors but changed to Kaiser by German customs over which he had no voice.

BUSINESS PAUSES WHEN NATION'S FLAG UNFURLS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20—(Associated Press)—Telephones jangle in "ain and employees and patrons stand at attention for three minutes daily in one of the big department stores here when an American flag is unfurled from a high balcony in plain sight of all. This ceremony is followed by the store's band of thirty pieces and chorals of sixty voices leaving the "Star Spangled Banner" in which all present are asked to join.

While the national anthem is being played and sung, no goods are sold. The ceremony occurs at noon sharp having been changed from nine o'clock in the morning to order that as many patrons of the store as possible might be given a chance to participate.

SUPPLIES SHOES

NEW YORK, April 20—(Associated Press)—The German government is now supplying the people with shoes. The German federal council has issued an order creating an imperial board for the distribution of shoes, say German newspapers.

BOHEMIAN TROOPS ARE DESERTING AUSTRIA AND CAST LOT WITH ITALY

Steamer Rammed By French Cruiser Goes Under Quickly

Collision Occurs At One O'Clock In Morning In Heavy Fog and Sixty Are Lost, Including American and French Marines

ATLANTIC PORT, May 2—(Associated Press)—In a heavy fog at one o'clock yesterday morning, a French cruiser collided with and rammed the steamer City of Athens, damaging her so severely that she sank within seven minutes, six days time for escape. She had a crew of 135 besides passengers and marines of whom twenty-four were American marines.

The French cruiser stood by and rendered all possible aid, later bringing the survivors into port. At last reports the lost numbered sixty-six of whom ten were men, two women, eleven American marines, fourteen French marines and thirty-three were members of the crew.

MARINE DISASTERS IN ONE DAY MANY

Collisions Furnish Three, Torpedo Boat Founders and Sloop Is Submerged

NEW YORK, May 2—(Associated Press)—Marine accidents, disasters and troubles not occasioned by submarines or mines were prevalent yesterday. In addition to the report of the sinking of the City of Athens reports have reached here of four other disasters, of which only one was occasioned by a submarine. This was the sloop Cowslip which London reported to have been torpedoed. Foundering of the Torpedo boat No. 90 was also reported from London. Six officers and thirteen men are reported missing.

Two other collisions were reported. Off the Virginia coast the Norwegian steamer Fjell sank after colliding with the British steamer Livingstonia. All of her officers and crew were saved.

Sinking of the French submarine Pradial after collision with a merchant vessel was reported from Paris, reports saying that part of her crew went down with her.

The treasury department war risk board is considering the reduction in government marine insurance rates from three to two percent on cargoes passing through the war zone, Washington dispatches said.

SHIPPING PROGRAM BEING INCREASED

Passage of Housing Bill By Senate Works For Increases In Building

WASHINGTON, May 2—(Associated Press)—The senate yesterday passed a bill which appropriates sixty millions of dollars to house workers at ship yards and munition plants. This measure is intended to make possible the bringing of thousands of willing workers to the needs of the nation. It will enable a speeding of the shipping program especially.

Chairman Hurley of the shipping board said yesterday this program will be increased by the addition of two hundred wooden ships.

The shipping board plans to employ foreign born ship officers if necessary to man the great new merchant marine fleet now being built up.

BREACH OF CENSORSHIP IS SEVERELY PUNISHED

LONDON, April 20—(Associated Press)—The heaviest penalty on record for violation of press censorship regulations has just been imposed on a Greek editor employed on the Athens newspaper Chronos, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Athens. He has been sentenced to eight years' solitary confinement, a fine of 10,000 drachmas, and three months' suspension of his paper. His offense was violation of the terms of the martial law by the reproduction of articles publication of which had been prohibited.

JAPAN RECALLS ITS SAN FRANCISCO CONSUL

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1—(Official)—M. Hanabara, Japanese consul general here for several years, sailed for Japan today. He said he was not aware of the reason why he has been summoned home.

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Internal Dissensions Spread From Civilians To Military

First Detachment Dons Italian Uniforms and Fights Austria

LONDON, May 2—(Associated Press)—Austria's internal troubles are growing for the spirit of unrest and dissatisfaction has reached the army where, it has taken the form of desertions showing how tremendously weakened is the morale.

From its correspondent at Italian headquarters the Daily Mail has learned that Bohemian troops are leaving the Austrians and are going over to the Italians to fight against Austria. Already the first detachment that came over has been equipped and is wearing the Italian uniform.

It is thought that this dissatisfaction among the Bohemian soldiers, emphasized by the wholesale desertions that are reported, explains the delay in the launching of the expected Austrian offensive on the Italian front which many expected to see started in connection with the German offensive on the Western front.

There were several days of heavy artillery assaults with some infantry fighting, presaging still greater activity, but this suddenly lulled.

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SHIPBUILDERS MAKE MORE NEW RECORDS

Keel Is Laid Seven Seconds After Launching of Completed Vessel From Same Ways

WASHINGTON, May 1—(Official)—Incomplete reports to the shipping board show that 210,000 tons of new American ship construction was started in April of which two-thirds was begun in the past fortnight. A report to the board says:

"These figures mean 9000 tons daily average in the month's 20 working days."

The official total for the month adds additional reports from Pacific coast shipyards.

Several launchings marked the first day of the month. The shipyard at Seattle launched a 9400-ton oil-tanker in presence of U. S. shipping officials.

Another Pacific yard has established a world's record, laying the keel of new vessel seven seconds after a completed ship had slid down the same ways. The previous record was one minute and fifteen seconds.

The shipping board has appointed a committee to speed up the loading and unloading of ships, the committee being authorized to divert freight from congested ports.

CONGRESSIONAL RELIEF FOR WIDOW IS SOUGHT

WASHINGTON, May 1—(Associated Press)—Legislation to indemnify the widow of a Japanese who died in the United States Army in Hawaii and was killed while working on a building at Schofield Barracks, Oahu, in 1915. His widow is said to be destitute.

KARL AND WILHELM WILL TALK IT OVER

LONDON, May 1—(Associated Press)—It is learned that Emperor's son of Austria and the new foreign minister, Baron Stefan de Baran, will meet in Germany to confer with the Kaiser over relations with the Ukraine and the Balkans.